New National Theater .- "The Fatal Academy of Music .- "Down in Dixie." Kernan's Lyceum Theater.-The New

York Stars. Columbia Phonograph Company, 919 Pennsylvania avenue.—Exhibition of the Graph-ophone and Kinetescope. Convention Hall, 5th and L streets north-

west .- Ice Palace.

EXCURSIONS TOMORROW.

Steamer Macalester for Mount Vernon Marshall Hall, Glymont and intermediate landings at 10 a.m. Steamer Newport News for Norfolk and Fortress Monroe at 7 p.m.

AN APPETIZING SIGHT. You-who intend visiting the "big mar-ket" tomorrow-shouldn't fail to see our very handsome display of Home-Dressed Beef and Lamb. Everything of the finest. KEANE, 35-51 Center mkt.

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For New York Roast Beef go to John R Kelly, 9th street wing, Center market. Corned beef specialty.

4 lbs. sugar free. Johnston's, page 8.

CITY AND DISTRICT.

Fined for an Assault. George Beach, one of the men who par-

ticipated in the assault on Enos Crews, Sunday afternoon, near 12th and S streets, was fined \$25 or sixty days in jail by Judge Miller yesterday. Children's Guardians.

Caesarina Nichols was turned over to the

board of children's guardians in the Police Court yesterday.

Charged With Theft. Maggie Payne and Lewis Allen, both colored, were before the Police Court yesterday on charges of theft. Maggie, it was charged, stole a hat from Annie Osborne, while Lewis was accused of having stolen two bushels of coal belonging to Charles J. Springman. The girl was fined \$1, and Lewis was fined \$2 or six days.

Real Estate at Auction.

Messrs. M. B. Latimer & Co., auctioneers have sold the following pieces of real estate: House No. 128 10th street northeast lot 29, in square 940, for Wm. H. Heron, executor estate of Eliza Mayhew, to W. C. Peake, for \$3,000; house No. 1134 15th street, for the owner, parts of lots 26 and 27, in square 197, to J. H. Tibbitts, for \$5,600; house No. 1422 E street northwest, parts of lots 8 and 10, in square 227, for \$2,610, for the trustees, Messrs. T. J. Meyers and Jas. Ferry, to Conrad Becker

The Concordia Club Elects Officers. The newly elected board of Concordia Club met last night at its club house, 6th and E streets northwest, and elected the following officers to serve for the ensuing term of one year: S. Bieber, president; Isaac Gans, vice president; M. Goldsmith, treasurer; house committee, M. Goldsmith, I. L. Blout and A. Morr's: finance committee, M. Cohen, S. Heller and A. D. Prince; amusement committee, Isaac Gans, M.

Had Information.

Clark and A. Morris.

John Parker, alias William Watts, colored, is serving three months in the workhouse as a suspicious character. Detectives Boyd and Helan had Information that he was going to sandbag and rob Mr. Mc-Clelland, who keeps a jewelry store at 603 7th street southwest, and the officers went to the store at the appointed hour. The colored man appeared, as the officers had information he would, but he lost his nerve and left. Half an hour later he reappeared, but the owner of the store was very nervous, and the colored man suspecting nervous, and the colored man, suspecting something wrong, ran from the place. Later he was arrested and now he is serv-

Capt. Geogliegan Cleared.

A decision on the collision between the Washington steamer Newport News and the tug Katie, pear Bush's Bluff, on the night of November 8 last was made yesterday at Norfolk by the local inspectors of steam vessels. Capt. Caleb Goodwin of the Katle, for unskillfulness in navigating the tug, was made responsible for the accident and his license was suspended for sixty days. Capt. S. A. Geoghegan of the Newport News was exonerated.

The Cattle Market.

At the cattle market at Benning yesterday 184 cattle were on the market and sold as follows: Best sold from 4 to 4 3-8c. per pound; good sold from 3 1-4 to 3 3-4c. per pound; medium sold from 2 3-4 to 3c. per pound; common sold from 2 to 2 1-2c. pound. Four hundred and thirty-five sheep and lambs on the market and sold. Lambs sold from 4 to 5 1-4c. per pound; old sheep sold from 3 to 3 1-2c, per pound; yearlings sold from 4 to 4 3-4c. per pound. Covs with calves sold from \$20 to \$45 each.

The Religion of Shakespeare.

Col. R. M. Johnston of Baltimore delivered an interesting lecture at St. John's College last evening on the "Religion of Avon's Inspired Bard," the lecture being the third of the winter course. The lecturer showed that Shakespeare was born a Catholic, lived and died a Catholic and had Catholic parents. He recited several extracts from his works to prove his theory, such as prayers, devotional practices, respect for the clergy, and more especially the beautiful characterization of Queen Catherine of Aragon, wife of Henry VIII. The lecture was well attended.

Lieut. Young on "The Battle of Lepanto."

Lieut. Lucien Young of the navy read an interesting paper before the Army and Navy Club last evening on "The Battle of Lepanto," the great sea fight that crippled the power of the Ottoman empire. "The victory thus gained," said the speaker, was the dawn of modern civilization. From that day to this the influence of the Turk has slowly but steadly declined. Had the allies not won, the glories of Lepanto, in-stead of being chanted in Christian church-es, would have been sung from Moslem minarets."

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Clearance Sale of Musical Instruments At Ellis' music store, 937 Pa. ave., you will find center tables filled with musical instruments at greatly reduced prices ow-ing to a "clearance" sale. Particulars un-der Pianos and Organs. Page 5.—Advt.

"Napoleonic Sale." The sale today at Sloan's, 1407 G street, was attended largely by our best people, and, while a great many goods were sold, the prices were reasonable. The sale will be continued the same hours the balance

of the week .- Advt. Wet Weather Protection

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Vagrancy the Uhief Charge in the Police

Court.

Fines Fall Off-Bad Sanitary Conditions in the Cells-Rules Against Smoking Tobacco.

Since the holidays business in the Folice Court has not been so brisk, and had it not been for the several raids made on the tramps there would not have been work enough for one judge. There has been a decided failing off in the amount of money paid in fines, and Officer Williams, who acts as cashler, thinks that the court will have to make an assignment and reorganize, in order to be put on a paying basis. This morning there were twenty-six priscners in the cells, and the men employed about the court, as well as some of the early morning lawyers, discussed their treatment and the effect of the court rules

"Parson" Hughes, the janitor, had the cells all newly whitewashed and scrubbed for the reception of the victims of the po-lice, and he told of how the prisoners go out of their way to put the walls and floor in a filthy condition.

The anti-smoking rule of Judge Kimball

was discussed. The judge is opposed to the use of tobacco in any shape, and is especially opposed to smoking. Frequently when he reaches court in the morning he has a complaint to make against the fumes of tobacco, but those who come in direct contact with the prisoners think that the tobacco smoke has the effect of purifying the atmosphere, and acts as a disinfectant All the smokers about the court could not send through the cells this morning a cloud of smoke sufficient to kill the impurities and one of the parties ventured the remark that a man who could remain in the cel room without using tobacco would have to have an iron stomach.

Procession Started.

When court convened and the procession started, Tom Kellar was in the lead, and Clerk Harper read to him a charge of

vagrancy. "Found drunk and begging on Pennsylvania avenue," read the clerk. "Are you

guilty or not guilty?"
"Guilty," he replied. "What was he doing?"
"I drove him away from the National

Theater." said Policeman Oriani, "because ne was begging, and later I saw him in a drug store begging a stamp.

"This man was here not long ago," remarked the court. "Thirty days."
Frank Davis, alias "Blue Dick," and Albert Butler, Georgetown colored boys, were in court on a charge of disorderly, the officer claiming that they were en gaged in a fight. "How could he see us fighting in the dark?" one of the prisoners asked.

They denied the charge, but the court held them guilty, and sent them down in

default of fine. Fred. Mason, a young man, who has been employed here for about two weeks, but who is now out of employment, was in the toils as a vagrant, because he has slept in

the lodging house and police stations for several nights.
"I am now going away," he said, "if your honor will give me a chance."
"You may have the chance."

John Maloney, who is known in "Swam-poodle" as "Jackie," appeared next on a charge of disorderly, and after some hesitahe plead guilty and reserved the right to make a statement. "You spend more than half your time on the farm," the judge said. "What do you

"If it wasn't for rum," said Maloney, "I wouldn't be here." "That's the trouble with so many men," remarked the court. "But it's a good man's failing," said Ma-"the best men in the country get

want to say now?

drunk "No, they don't," said the judge. "Yes, they do," insisted the man, "Yes, they do," insisted the man, who re-ferred to himself as one of the good citi-zens, "and I know it." ine was imposed, and "Jackie"

Out of His Place.

A respectably dressed young man, whose white linen and neat appearance showed that he was out of his proper place, was in the procession of vagabonds and disorderly persons. His name was given as Henry Douglass, and it was charged that he was found begging on the street.

"I'll admit that I asked for assistance," he said, "but it was a case of necessity. I'm a stenographer, and am here looking for work. Since I reached here several for work. Since I reached here several days ago I've been stopping at a cheap lodging house, but yesterday my finances gave out and I had to ask for assistance."

He told the judge that his home is in California, but he came here from Buffalo, where he worked all the summer. Judge Kimball told him that he must not beg here, as it is against the law. He was

told that he had better go to the mission With this warning the man was released. Tom Cole, a stranger, made a denial of the charge of vagrancy against him.

"This is the first time I was ever caught burning the town," he said. "And your language," the judge said, "convinces me that you are a tramp."
"I'm on my way to Richmend looking for work," said the man.
"And," added the judge, "you may go after you serve five days."

Other Cases Charles Miller, James Ripley, John

Bailey, Thomas Welsh and Wm. Thomas, who called at a police station for lodging. were "vagged." "They have been here several days and

have no means of support," was the complaint.

The men said they had been at the mission several times, and one of them had a badly injured eye. He was released to go to the hospital and two of his companions were released

upon a promise to leave the city.

Bailey and Thomas were sent down for George Washington, colored, charged with habitual drunkenness, proved that he

with habitual drunkenness, proved that he was innocent and was released.

Samuel Beasley, a young man, who has a wife and young child, was in the toils on Policeman Schneider's complaint. Last night Beasley was drunk and refused to keep quiet when warned.

When Judge Kimball fined him \$5 he when Judge Kimban inled him 35 he asked for time to pay his fine.
"My wife and children have to depend on me," he said, "and I scarcely earn enough to support them."
The court took his request under advise-

AMUSEMENTS.

Boston Symphony Orchestra.-The usual

large and fashionable audience filled Metzerott Music Hall last night on the occasion of the third Boston Symphony Orchestra concert this season, and although there were but three numbers on the program, it lasted beyond the usual hour. There was the greatest interest manifested in every movement, and the applause was liberal and hearty. For the orchestra alone there were Tschaikowsky's Symphony, in B minor, and Lalo's "Namouna" suite, two compositions as widely different in tone and treatment as can well be imagined. The first is a prominent example of the extreme modern school, and was the last symphonic work of the late Russian composer. It not only departs from the tra-ditional symphonic form in the fact that the slow movement comes last instead of in the middle, but in the development of its themes and their general treatment. It is called a pathetic symphony, and there is much that is somber and heavy in it, but this is relieved by lighter passages, particu-larly in the second and third movements, that are charming in their delicacy. There is, however, a good deal that is noisy when all the basses and drums break out seemingly in an aimless way, but these do not obscure the merit of the dramatic effect of the work, and the sharp contrast of color. in which Tschalkowsky seems to delight are equaled only by the greatest exponent of the modern school-Wagner. The "Na-mouna" suite, by Edouard Lalo, who stands

TRAMPS PLENTIFUL orchestra, shows his versatility and his thorough equipment to preside over the finest organization of its kind in this coun-

The feature of last evening's performance, however, was the appearance of Rafael Joseffy, who played Brahms' second concerto for plano. This pianist has not been heard here for many years, and for a long period absented himself from the concert stage. cert stage. His return to the public has been gladly welcomed wherever he has appeared, and his greeting last night was warm and hearty. His performance was masterly, his style virile, mature and dignified, and his reading musicianly and intellection. nified, and his reading musicianly and in-tellectual. His technique, always admirable, seems to have gained firmness and strength, and he played without any sug-gestion of mere virtuosity, but with an earnest devotion to the work before him, and with a full confidence of his own powers. His great ability was especially noticeable in the exacting finale, where his splendid technical skill was displayed, and which he gave with exquisite taste and grace of expression. He was applauded after every movement, and at the close of the concerto was obliged to return many times and bow his acknowledgments

The German Opera Season-The sale of

season tickets for the Damrosch Opera, on-

gagement at the Grand Opera House closes this evening, and with the subscriptions already received it makes one of the best sales ever had in this city. The sale for any one or more performances opens to-morrow morning. The first performance will be "Tannhauser," the best known and most familiar of Wagner's works, with a grand cast, including Frl. Johann Gadski, who was so successful last season in Bos-ton, New York and Chicago as Elizabeth; Herr Wilhelm Gruening, the great German tenor from Hamburg, as Tannhauser, and the full strength of the company. Friday evening, Frau Katherine Klafsky, the greatest living Wagnerian prima donna, makes her first appearance as Brunnhilde in "Die Walkure," with Baron Berthald, Fri. Mulder and other principals. Saturday afternoon Max Alvary, the well-known tenor, appears as Siegfried, which has the reputation of drawing the largest houses of the Markey of the Mar ever known in the history of the Metropolitan Opera House, New York. The season closes Saturday evening with the perform-ance of Wagner's only light or so-called comic opera "Die Meistersinger," with Emil Fischer in his wonderful impersonation of Hans Sachs, and in this piece over two hundred people will be on the stage. It will be a series of magnificent productions, and undoubtedly will be greeted by crowd-

ed houses. The Lady Slavey.—Messrs. Canary and Lederer will present the great lyric sensa-tion, "The Lady Slavey," at the Lafayette Square Opera House next week. The libretto has been thoroughly Americanized, the music entirely new and written by Mr. Gustave Kerker; the company composed of American artists, with the single exception of Mr. Charles Danby, the celebrated English comedian, who will play his origi-nal part of the sheriff. Mr. George W. Lederer has been personally conducting the rehearsals. The cast is an ideal one, and the list of principals embraces the best of the dramatic and lyric branches of the profession—W. H. Thompson, the great profession—W. H. Thompson, the great character actor, lately of the Empire Thea-ter Company; Dan Daly, Henry Norman, Charles Kirke, Richard Carl, Nicholas Burnham, Talmadge Burnham, Miss Vir-ginia Earle, Marie Dressler, Linda da Costa, Della Stacy, Babette Rodney, Jessie Carlisle, Lillian Thurgate, Sylvia Holt, Jeanette Beggard, Jaabel, Hasley, Deventor Jeanette Begcard, Isabel Haslam, Dawn Grifflith, Emma Levey, Beatrice Orne, Helen Marlborough, Florence Farrington, Ida Moreland and La Petite Adelaide. The Casino company also carries a chorus of seventy-five male and female voices. Mr. Ceorge W. Lederer, who has been personally conducting the rehearsals and originating many of the novelties, will be with the organization in Washington during its run. Mr. Gustave Kerker, the composer, will also be here and direct the musical portion.

Miss Ellen Beach Yaw.-Miss Ellen Beach aw, who is to appear at Metzerott Music Hall Saturday evening of this week, made a decided hit in New York Sunday evening While she has gained the greatest amount of favorable criticism in the south and west, it remained only to be seen how she would take in New York, but the ovation which was accorded her Sunday evening leaves no room for doubt of her wonderful taking qualities. Miss Yaw's voice is a most wonderful organ, and while the range is beyond all conception of the human voice, the tones are pure, round and sympathetic in all registers.

Dr. Stafford on "Hamlet."-There is every evidence that Metzerott Mus crowded tomorrow evening by those who delight in hearing an excellent lecturer and eloquent orator. Rev. D. J. Stafford, D.D., will lecture on "Hamlet," the lecture being given at the request of those who failed o obtain seats for the same last year. Dr. Stafford has a reputation that is unexcelled in this city, and whenever he appears is always greeted by an enormous crowd of appreciative friends. His lecture on Ham-let is said to be his finest effort, and those who miss hearing him this season will miss

treat indeed. The Ice Palace.-Last evening saw the argest attendance of the season at the Ice Palace, while the afternoon and morning sessions are very popular. The latter of these is reserved for beginners, and the first hour in the afternoon for ladies. The attendance at the evening sessions has probably been brought about by the appearance of Miss Mabel Davidson, the champion lady skater of the world, who is to give an exhibition at the rink every evening of this week. Her exhibitions begin at 9 o'clock, just after the ice surface has been scraped and swept for the skaters, and last for twenty minutes. Later in the evening she gives an exhibition of ice bicycle riding.

St. Stephen's Parish Hall.-The ladies of St. Stephen's P. E. Church, 14th and Colum-tia Heights, will give a series of tableaus, representing well-known and pretty advertisement pictures, interspersed with music, at the parish hall tomorrow and Friday evenings at 8 o'clock.

Samson and Delilah.-The extreme difficulty of the chorus work in "Samson and Delilah" will always remain an obstacle in the way of its frequent rendition by oratorio societies, and even opera companies of the highest standard. Walter Dam-rosch gave "Samson and Delilah," its first performance, in New York, with the Ora-torio Society and the Symphony Orchestra. The Metropolitan Opera Company gave two performances of it, one in operatic and the other in oratorio form. It has been done in Boston, Worcester, Philadelphia and a couple of the western cities, a very few performances in all. The solo parts require voices of unusual ability, and the orchestra must be one capable of the best symphonic work. The difficulties have kept the Choral Society in a state of uncertainty as to the successful culmination of its efforts for three seasons, but one by one they were overcome, and now the society is ready for the long looked for and much worked for concert. Among the soloists the name of Madame Hastreiter recalls the days of the American Opera Company, when her tri-umphs in "Orpheus" and "Lohengrin" were pronounced, and to those who have kept posted in the foreign musical news, her great successes in London with Her Majesty's Opera Company will be remembered. Without doubt Hastreiter is among the greatest contraltos in the world. The sale of tickets, at Ellis & Co.'s, is now in progress, if there is anything left to sell, as the seats have been bought up very rapidly, and the success of the performance

Madame Sans Gene.-Kathryn Kidder is an excellent actress; she is supported by a good company; the play of Madame Sans Gene is admirable in dialogue, situation and scenic effect, and the acoustic tion and scenic effect, and the acoustic properties of the Lafayette Square Opera House have been proved first-class. Yet there is one very important drawback to the enjoyment of the performance as it is presented this season. It is difficult to understand what is said on the stage, and the derstand what is said on the stage, and the only satisfactory explanation is that the performers have become so familiar with their lines that they are not as careful to speak as clearly and distinctly as they used to, and many good points are lost to the audience in consequence.

Mr. Boag's Success.—Mr. William Boag, one of the young members of the theatrical profession, who is known as a "Washington boy," made his appearance last night in New York in Mr. Wm. H. Crane's new play, "The Governor of Kentucky," under most favorable circumstances. The Herald says today of his work: "Col. Henry Clay Bingley, the courtly but addlepated old." Bingley, the courtly but addlepated old Kentuckian, who prides himself upon his resemblance to and his descent from Henry Clay, is carefully presented by Mr. William Boag." The Sun says: "A Kentucky politician of the old school, descended from Henry Clay and proud of the fact, interpreted by William Boag with unctuous humor and an obviously natural dialect." mouna" suite, by Edouard Lalo, who stands in the front rank of contemporary French composers, and which was given here for the first time by the Boston Symphony Orchestra, proved a charming composition, and as a relief from the heavier symphony was thoroughly appreciated. Mr. Paur, in his readings of every work presented by the

The Federation Act on Several Propo

Urging the Free Library Bill-Work ingmen Notito Patronize

Saloons.

The proceedings of the Federation of Labor at its meeting last night were of more than usual interest. A resolution was adopted pledging the members not to enter any saloon in the District where boycotted beer is sold, and lalso a petition to Congress urging the passage of the free library

The meeting was largely attended, the representatives from forty-three organizations being present, and President McHugh occupied the chair.

The following preamble and resolutions in reference to the beer war were introduced by Mr. E. M. Blake, and after an earnest debate were adopted: "Whereas, the brewers have secured the

assistance of the National Brewers' Association to aid them in defeating the efforts of the workingmen to import union beer into the city, therefore,
"Resolved; That we, as delegates from all
the labor unions in the District of Colum-

bia, recognized as their leaders and representatives, do personally pledge ourselves by our vote for this resolution not to enter saloon for any purpose whatsoever until the saloon keepers agree to handle only union made beer; further "Resolved, That we recommend to our ocal unions the above resolution for their

Sceretary Bechtold's Statement.

During the discussion of the preamble and resolutions Secretary Bechtold of the National Brewery Workers' Association, who came here from St. Louis in order to try to effect a settlement of the present troubles between the browers and their locked-out men, made an address. In the course of his remarks he said that he had traveled a great deal throughout the country in the interest of labor, but he had never before visited a place where the members of the labor societies are so well organized as in Washington, nor so thor ughly in harmony with each other as they are on the question of the beer boycott. Mr. Bechtold said further that he had ried to bring about a conference between the brewers and their men, but was unable to do so. He predicted that the members of Gambrinus Assembly will be victorious

in the struggle now going on.

The chairman of the legislative commit tee reported that the committee is prepar ing an argument to be presented to gress, in favor of day's labor on govern ment work here as against contract work He reported also the following memorial which was adopted, and will be forwarded to the President of the Senate and Speaker of the House of Representatives:

For a Public Library

"The Federation of Labor of the District of Columbia, comprising delegates from forty-eight labor unions, and representing 13,000 organized working men, have instructed the legislative committee to memorialize Congress in the interest of the bill creating a public circulating library. "This project of a public library been advocated for years past by unions, and three or more attempts been made by their representative bodies establish such an enterprise through private subscription, but they have not

been able to raise a sum sufficient to make the undertaking a success. "The advantages of a free public circulating library are apparent to all, but to the handicraft man and mechanic of the community such an institution would prove an inestimable boon, since during the weeks of enforced idleness the library would be patronized by them to their moral and in-

tellectual improvement.
"The children of the workingmen are compelled to leave school after, passing through the sixth, seventh and eighth grades to aid in the support of their fam lies. At the close of their day of labor their evenings are unemployed, and the habits of study acquired at school are in many instances dissipated by the influence of street-corner loading and victous habits through such associations, and the absence

'The Congressional Library is unavailable to this class of our citizens owing to its regulations and hours. The departmental libraries are also inaccessible to them; hence he need of a free circulating library, open at all reasonable hours and avatlable for use of all classes of our people, is urgently felt by your petitioners. To this public want the attention of the honorable body over which you preside is respectfully solicited in the belief that the adoption of the proposed measure will remedy the evil of which there is just cause to complain."

Standing Committees.

President McHugh announced the following as the standing committees for the en suing six months: Ways and means-Messrs James McKnight, G. O. Cook, A. M. Ashley A. S. Cowell and Thomas McCarty. Legislative-Messrs. E. M. Blake, J. J. McCarthy, W. H. Stickles, S. De Nedry and J. K. Potter. Press-Messrs. J. K. Potter, S. H. Bell, E. O. Sullivan, Contract-Messrs, Milford Spohn, E. J. Rea, William Moran, Royal Carroll W. L. Bailey. Propaganda—D. Dougherty, Joseph Relley, Frank Conners, W. H. Wilder and J. S. Nesmith.

Workmen on the Post Office.

Complaint was made that the workmen on the rew post office building are not properly protected from danger in their present employment, and a committee was appointed to see the contractor and ask that the right

sort of safeguards be provided. The chairman of the legislative committee reported that the bills known as the employ-ers' liability act and the act for securing the better protection of employes as regards wages in case of the assignment of employ-ers have been introduced into the House by Mr. Gillette.

The Federation indorsed what is known as the "Combine" label, which will be attached

to all union beer brought here for the future.

The committee to whom was referred the matter of soliciting the aid of the real estate dealers in the issue of a bulletin at stated intervals, having for its object th employment of more union men in the repairing of houses, made a report that they also proposed to include the members of District Assembly No. 66, Knights of Labor and the building trades council in the arrangement. 'The report was adopted and an order passed that a copy of the bulletin shall whenever issued be displayed in the meeting place of each society of organized labor affiliated with the Federation. The Bond Bill.

The committee to whom was intrusted the duty of opposing the proposed issue of bonds

for various improvements in the District, of which Mr. Milford Spohn was chairman, reported the result of a visit made by them yesterday to the committee in Congress having charge of the matter, and which was fully reported in The Star of last evening. The report was accepted and adopted and the committee continued, with instructions to again visit the Capitol, if necessary, and to publicly oppose the bill whenever the

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The Carpenters. The regular weekly meeting of Local No 190, Brotherhood of Carpenters, was held Monday night at their hall, No. 627 Massachusetts avenue northwest, President M. D. Rose presiding. There was a full attendance, and the boycott of the brewers of Washington and Alexandria was indorsed. Matters of the highest importance to the members were discussed, but decisions were not reached, and they will be further considered at a future meeting, probably the one Monday next, when, if a result is reach-ed, it will be made known.

WRAPT IN SECRECY.

Effort to Quench the Publicity Given the Talmage-Allen Incident.

It is safe to say that until the meeting o the Washington presbytery, February 3, the public will learn but little of the status of the Talmage-Sunderland-Allen embroglio in the First Presbyterian Church. The special committee of investigation and the elders of the church having been pledged to absolute silence and secrecy by the chairman of the committee, Rev. B. F. Bittinger, no publicity may be expected to be given to the opinion of the committee or the report which they are preparing to submit to the presbytery. It is understood that the meetning of the committee and the elders Monday right was essentially given up to a thorough review of the compromise that has been entered into between Mr. Alien and the elders and that nothing further remains to be done except that, as a matter of form, the committee will tell the presbytery what arrangement has been made to settle the cifficulty.

It is known that at the Monday evening

meeting the substance of the agreement made last Thursday night between Mr. Allen and the elders was related to the pres byterial committee. Mr. Allen assure committee that the arrangement suited him and that he would of his own motion resign in due time.

effect of this compromise upon the future of the church and on Dr. Talmage's relations to the church were discussed, as well also as the effect of the whole transaction on the public. It was decided that in view of certain newspaper comments in regard to the matter that a statement should be authorized denying the report to the effect that the church demanded the resignation of Mr. Allen to make way for Dr. Talmage, and affirming that under the influence of the presbytery the officers of the church submitted to Rev. Mr. Allen a proposition to pay him his salary in full to October 1, 1896, according to the contract made with him September 23, which Mr. Allen regards as consistent with his rights and self-respect, and in and self-respect, and in consequence of which arrangement he will of his own accord willingly resign his position to presbytery at a meeting soon to be held. Dr. Talmage, it is understood, is willing to preach Sunday mornings, and in due time will occupy the pulpit twice a day.

THE POSTER EXHIBIT.

Opened Successfully at the Rooms of the Business Woman's Club. The poster exhibit at the rooms of the Business Woman's Club, 606 11th street, which opened last evening, proved a great success from the start. The collection is a notably fine one, and during the two weeks it will be open to the public is certain to attract large crowds. The rooms of the club are open today to members only. the public exhibition beginning tomorrow.

The entire collection of posters belonging to Miss Frances Benjamin Johnston has been loaned for the occasion, and forms the nucleus for the exhibit. Last evening Dr. Swan M. Burnett, one of the best-informed and most enthusiastic poster collectors, gave an interesting talk on the subject of posters, and the influence they are exciting

on the public taste.

Miss Ethel Reed of Boston, the most successful woman poster maker in the country, was the guest of the club and the center of an interested group of artists and local poster collectors. Miss Reed has loaned the club a fine series of unpublished designs and herself arranged them for exhibition.

Mrs. Phoebe Hearst, who is greatly interested in the exhibit, loaned an unusually s of the most famous of the recent French posters, which she obtained in Paris last year. A private view will be held today, Wednesday, to which the admission

today, Wednesday, to which the admission is by card only.

Among others who loaned valuable specimens were Dr. Swan M. Burnett, Mr. Edward Penfield, Mr. Bliss Carman, the Century Co., Lamson, Wolffe & Co., Copeland & Day, Mr. Claude Fayette Bragdon, Mr. Will Carqueville, Mr. Francis Richmond Phister, Miss Hodges, Mr. Arthur Newton Brown, Mr. W. W. Rich, Dr. A. B. Coolidge, Mr. D. LeRoy Topping, Mr. Mills Thompson, Mr. Francis Pierrepont Madeira, Mr. J. C. Clay Francis Pierrepont Madeira, Mr. J. C. Clay and Mr. Albert Clemons.

Right Information for Dyspeptics. All interested in the pure food question will find interesting facts about various articles of food, their fat, water and muscle qualities, &c., on page 79 of The Evening Star's Almanac and Hand-book for 1896. For sale at all news stands and Star office. 25c. per copy.

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Local Notes of General and Especial Interest to Residents-Charter

Granted a Company.

Mayor Thompson last night had before him Florence Livingston, one of the demimonde of this city, charged with robbing a man by the name of Charles Newland of Falls Church of \$14. At the trial last night Newland failed to prove the charge against the woman, whereupon she was discharged She and a woman named Kate Fisher, who was a witness in the case, were immediately arrested for selling liquor without a license and were fined \$10 each.

Police Court.

The police on duty last night report the night as being cloudy and cool, with five prisoners and twenty-one lodgers at the station house. Mayor Thompson this morning disposed of the following cases: Thoma Farrall and Louis Gordon, colored, arrested by Officers Sherwood and Young, charged with fighting, fined \$3 each; Andrew Lomax and Joseph Churchill, colored, arrested by Officer Hall, charge disorderly conduct, fined \$3 each; Randolph Butler, arrested by officer Sherwood, charged with vulgar and abusive language toward Bettie Baltimore, colored, fined \$5; Henry Washington, colored, arrested by Officer Beach, charge stealing wood from Mr. Benjamin Waters, dealing reserved until 7 o'clock tonight; decision reserved until 7 o'clock tonight; Florence Livingston and Kate Fisher, ar-rested by Officer Sherwood, charge selling liquor without a license, fined \$10 each.

In the Toils Again. Henry Washington, the colored lawyer

who was before the mayor several days ago and fined for stealing wood from Mr. Benj. Waters, was again arrested upon the same charge last night. From the evidence before the mayor this morning Washington as soon as he was released began ton as soon as he was released began stealing Mr. Waters' wood again and Mr. Waters hearing of it, watched his wood pile Monday night and saw Washington when he took the wood. Mayor Thompson reserved his decision until 7 o'clock tonight. Annual Meeting.

The annual meeting of the Washington ice Manufacturing Company of Washington was held in this city yesterday and elected the following officers and directors: George H. Moore, president; J. T V. Hall,

vice president, and W. D. Hall, secretary and treasurer. George H. Moore, C. D. Hall, J. T. V. Hall and W. D. Hall compose Charter Granted.

Judge J. K. M. Norton of the corporation court yesterday granted a charter to the Potomac Light and Power Company of Washington, the object of which is the sale of electrical current and electrical ap-pliances of all kinds. The capital stock of the company is placed at \$100,000, with the right to increase to \$500,000. The officers are all Washingtonians.

Sheriff Monroe of Loudoun county passed through this city this morning having in charge Al.en McDaniel, colored, sentenced to seven years in state penitentiary for a murderous assault on a white man.

Mr. George Forbers of Annapolis, Md.,
was in the city today, the guest of his

Judgment Affirmed.

aunt, Mrs. J. T. Beckham.

The Court of Appeals yesterday affirmed the judgment of the court below in the case of Richard T. Meany against Michael Connor. The jury in the court below awarded Mr. Meany the sum of \$2,000 as fees for the sale of land, but failed to allow in terest. They subsequently did so, when the defendant claimed that the verdict should be set aside because of irregularity. The court, however, allowed it to stand upon

CITY ITEMS.

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